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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION HELD IN ITS OFFICES ON JULY 12, 2011

Commission Chairman Orjiakor N. Isiogu called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Executive Secretary Mary Jo Kunkle called the roll and declared there was a quorum.

PRESENT

Commission: Orjiakor N. Isiogu, Chairman

Monica Martinez, Commissioner Greg R. White, Commissioner

Staff: Lisa Gold

Lisa Felice Mary Jo Kunkle Catherine Bowers

Public: Chrissy Beckwith, SEMCO Energy

Michael Rampe, Miller Canfield

Harvey J. Messing, MCPS

Tim Hoffman, Consumers Energy

Jim Ault, MEGA Suzy Denison, MEGA

Beverly Roberts, Consumers Energy

I. Commissioner Martinez moved to approve today's agenda, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas - Isiogu, Martinez, White

Nays - None

The agenda was approved.

II. Commissioner Martinez moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of June 28, 2011, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White

Nays - None

The minutes were approved.

III. ORDERS

A. COMMUNICATIONS

1. U-15148 PELZER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (rescission)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves a request to surrender a license to provide basic local exchange service. The order before you grants the request, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

2. U-16817 DEERFIELD FARMERS TELEPHONE COMPANY AND SAND CREEK TELEPHONE COMPANY

(interconnection agreement)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which requests Commission approval of an interconnection agreement. The order before you approves the request, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

B. ELECTRIC

1. U-15113 COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION (interconnection reports)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which the Commission directed Michigan utilities and cooperatives to file biannual interconnection reports. The order before you rescinds this requirement, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

2. U-16369 WISCONSIN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY (energy optimization reconciliation)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Wisconsin Electric Power Company for approval of its energy optimization annual report and for authority to reconcile its costs and revenues for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2010. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

PRESS RELEASE ISSUED

3. U-16432 CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY (leave to appeal)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which is Consumers Energy Company's application for approval of its 2011 power supply cost recovery plan and factors. The order before you grants the application for leave to appeal filed by Michigan Community Action Agency Association, and denies the relief requested, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

4. U-16475 NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY (settlement agreement)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Northern States Power Company for an increase in electric rates in Michigan. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

PRESS RELEASE ISSUED

5. U-16520 RUSH 12 LLC (AES application)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Rush 12 LLC for a license to act as an alternative electric supplier in Michigan. The order before you dismisses the application at the request of the applicant, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

6. U-16567 UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY (UETM reconciliation)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Upper Peninsula Power Company for authority to reconcile its uncollectibles expense tracking mechanism for the 2010 calendar year. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

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7. U-16584 INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Indiana Michigan Power Company for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

8. U-16592 CLOVERLAND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Cloverland Electric Cooperative for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

9. U-16593 GREAT LAKES ENERGY COOPERATIVE (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Great Lakes Energy Cooperative for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

10. U-16594 MIDWEST ENERGY COOPERATIVE (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Midwest Energy Cooperative for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

11. U-16595 ONTONAGON COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ASSOCIATION

(renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Ontonagon County Rural Electrification Association for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

12. U-16596 PRESQUE ISLE ELECTRIC & GAS CO-OP (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Presque Isle Electric & Gas Co-op for approval of a renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

13. U-16597 THUMB ELECTRIC CO-OP (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Thumb Electric Cooperative for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

14. U-16640 CMS ERM MICHIGAN LLC

(renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by CMS ERM Michigan LLC for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

15. U-16641 COMMERCE ENERGY, INC.

(renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Commerce Energy, Inc., for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

16. U-16642 CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY, INC.

(renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

17. U-16643 DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS, LLC (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Direct Energy Business, LLC for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

18. U-16644 FIRSTENERGY SOLUTIONS CORPORATION (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

19. U-16646 INTEGRYS ENERGY SERVICES, INC. AND QUEST ENERGY, U-16649 L.L.C.

(renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involve applications by Integrys Energy Services, Inc. and Quest Energy, L.L.C. for approval of their renewable energy biennial plan reviews. The order before you approves the companies' renewable energy plans, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

20. U-16647 MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by MidAmerican Energy Company for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

21. U-16650 NOBLE AMERICAS ENERGY SOLUTIONS LLC (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Noble Americas Energy Solutions LLC for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

22. U-16651 SPARTAN RENEWABLE ENERGY, INC. (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Spartan Renewable Energy, Inc. for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

23. U-16653 WOLVERINE POWER MARKETING COOPERATIVE (renewable energy biennial plan review)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Wolverine Power Marketing Cooperative for approval of its renewable energy biennial plan review. The order before you approves the company's renewable energy plan, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

C. GAS

1. U-15702-R SEMCO ENERGY GAS COMPANY ('10 GCR reconciliation)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by SEMCO Energy Gas Company for reconciliation of a gas cost recovery plan for the 12-month period that ended March 31, 2010 for its MPSC Division. The order before you approves the application, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

2. U-16010-R WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION ('10 GCR reconciliation)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for authority to reconcile its gas cost recovery revenues and expenses for the 12-month period ended October 31, 2010. The order before you approves a settlement agreement, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

3. U-16569 MICHIGAN GAS UTILITIES CORPORATION (UETM reconciliation)

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated July 12, 2011 which involves an application by Michigan Gas Utilities Corporation to reconcile its uncollectibles expense tracking mechanism for 2010. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The order was adopted.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

Chairman Isiogu announced that the next regularly scheduled Commission Meeting will be held on July 26, 2011.

Commissioner Martinez moved that the Commission adjourn, Commissioner White seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Isiogu, Martinez, White Nays – None

The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Mary Jo Kunkle Executive Secretary